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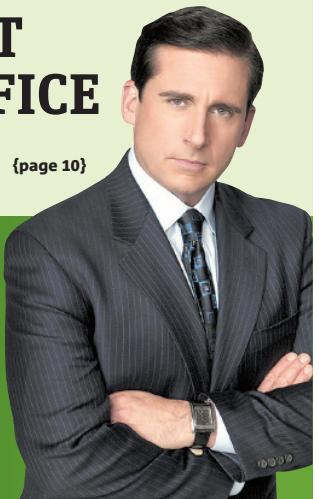
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► Former Chief of StatsCan Munir Sheikh on Parliament Hill yesterday. {page 5}

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Feds step into RCMP conflict

► Workplace assessment ordered after complaints regarding commissioner ► Insiders describe abusive, condescending behaviour ► William Elliott, who was never a police officer, is force's first civilian boss

The country's top bureaucrat has ordered a "workplace assessment" of the RCMP to help massage internal conflict amid concerns Mountie Commissioner William Elliott is rubbing senior staff the wrong way.

Privy Council Clerk Wayne Wouters will appoint an independent adviser to look into the turmoil after senior members of the force complained about bullying and abusive behaviour by the force's first civilian commissioner.

The adviser, who has yet to be named, will decide the scope of the assessment, to be delivered to the Public Safety Department, the agency that oversees the RCMP. Insiders said yesterday that two senior members, Raf Souccar, deputy commissioner for federal policing, and Tim Killam, deputy commissioner of police support services, lodged a complaint about Elliott with the deputy minister of Public Safety. It is believed that five to eight other Mounties also signed on to the grievance against Elliott, which quickly made its way to the Privy Council clerk, then to the Prime Minister's Office.

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► RCMP Commissioner William Elliott is seen with the Musical Ride in April.

"Our government expects this to occur expeditiously and without further rancour. Frankly, it is unacceptable for individuals in leadership positions in ... the RCMP to air internal disputes through the news media."

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Compromise coming on census?

Former Chief of StatsCan Munir Sheikh and Industry Minister Tony Clement appeared before the House of Commons Industry committee looking into changes for the long-form census yesterday.

No-hitter fever in the Majors

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Bridge project a people-pleaser: Coun.

Residents of south Ottawa are so anxious to see a bridge finally built across the Rideau River that the area councillor is seriously considering setting up bleachers so people can watch the work.

"People are excited. They're interested. We're going to have to accommodate some way for people to watch the project as it happens," said Gloucester-South Nepean Coun.

Steve Desroches at a sod-turning ceremony for the Strandherd-Armstrong Bridge yesterday.

Desroches said they may look into cameras so people can keep up to date on the work.

The 143-metre-long bridge is being built on land, and will be slid into place in 2012. Desroches said he even plans to contact producers at the Discovery Channel to see if

they are interested in filming that event.

"This is going to be an engineering feat," said Desroches.

"I don't know if it will make it, but I know there are a lot of people who will find this very interesting."

Along with the work to connect the bridge to roads on each side, the project will cost \$105 million.

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Blind candidate has vision for the future

► Lack of leadership coming from mayor's office, says Robin Lawrence



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The only promise that Robin Lawrence will make to voters in Ottawa is that he will do his best for the city if he is elected mayor.

"Doing your best is much more practical than to keep making promises," said Lawrence.

If elected, Lawrence would try his best to freeze taxes for the first two years of the term. After that, he would only increase taxes if it was necessary. A tax freeze, he said, could be accomplished by not "coming up with stupid ideas."

\$1 The cost of an OC Transpo ride if Lawrence is elected. There would be no more monthly passes, he said.

Platform

Mayoral candidate Robin Lawrence expressed views on some current city issues.

- **Tunnel** The downtown Ottawa transit tunnel is a "stupid idea" because there are not enough people to justify the tunnel, Lawrence said.
- **Regional system** The mayoral candidate would rather see a fully regional transit system with trips out to the Ottawa valley and surrounding areas.
- **LRT** Lawrence would prefer that the light rail transit system be built along existing rail lines.
- **Big dig** The candidate expressed concerns that digging the downtown Ottawa Transit Tunnel could possibly trigger an earthquake.



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► Blind candidate Robin Lawrence is opposed to the Lansdowne Park deal because he says the city is not getting enough money up front for it.

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RIVER WARD RACE

Candidate files complaint

The race for the River Ward council seat has taken an ugly turn.

Michael Kostiuk, a past-president of the Carleton Community Association, who is running in the ward, has filed a complaint to the

Ontario Human Rights Tribunal against Coun. Maria McRae and several employees of the City of Ottawa.

The complaint alleges a series of harassment, intimidation and discrimination experiences over four years that is both "consistent and verifiable."

After a preliminary review of the submission, the city is asking the tribunal to dismiss the complaint.

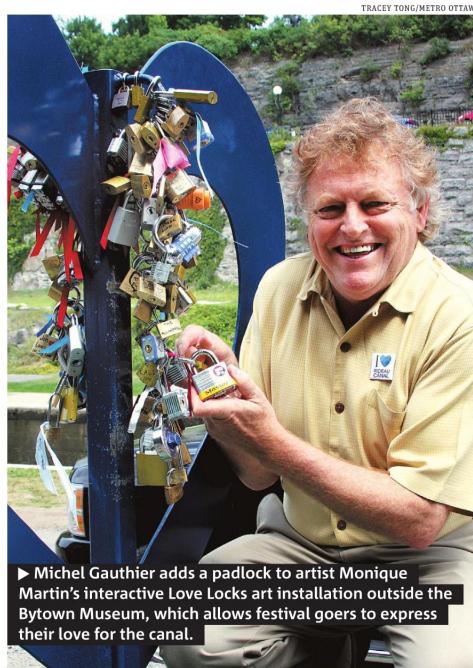
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Man faces DUI rap in fatal crash

Ottawa police have charged a man in connection with a fatal collision between a lawnmower and an ATV in the area of Mohrs Road and Kinburn Side Road in West Carleton. A 28-year-old man has died from his injuries. Brian Miller, 26, of Pakenham, faces charges including impaired driving. He appears in court Aug. 25. • TRACEY TONG

Second charged in attack

A second man faces charges after a man was hacked in the head and back with a hatchet near Ritchie Street Saturday. Mohamed Osman, 22, of Ottawa, has been jointly charged with his brother Deep Osman, with attempted murder, aggravated assault and possession of a weapon. He appeared in court yesterday. • TRACEY TONG

Appreciate Rideau, says festival director

Third annual festival expected to draw more than 150,000

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MICHEL GAUTHIER

In the summer, we run, cycle and walk alongside it. In the winter, we bring out the skates and go for a spin on its frozen surface.

But for the most part, people take the Rideau Canal for granted, said the executive director and founder of the Rideau Canal Festival.

While there is "a lot of love out there for the canal," said Michel Gauthier, "People don't understand that the Rideau Canal is in the same club as the Great Wall of China and the Pyramids of Egypt. It's a UNESCO World Heritage Site."

As the festival kicks off this Friday, Gauthier hopes it will get people to appreciate the cultural attraction, which was built 178 years ago. Highlights of the festival include the musical breeze bicycle parade and the parade of lights and fireworks on Saturday and the Rideau Canal flotilla Sunday. The popular environmental fair is held all weekend at Confederation Park.

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StatsCan boss quit over gap in credibility

► Clement says new status will work ► But Sheikh not buying it

The country's former chief statistician says he quit his job when it became apparent his agency had suffered a hit to its credibility.

An emotional Munir Sheikh, who resigned his post last week, told a House of Commons committee that he could not stand at the helm of Statistics Canada once it was reported his agency had recommended scrapping the mandatory long-form census.

"The reason I stepped aside was because of some media stories that Statistics Canada was not just implementing the decision, but recommending it."

"The issue for us is the quality of that data, and we acknowledge, as the minister did, that (the politicians) are the ones who make the decisions, not the public servants."

MUNIR SHEIKH

Those stories arose from statements by Industry Minister Tony Clement, which he has since clarified. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Gatineau. Semrau



► Capt. Robert Semrau

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Sentence coming Sept. 9

Lt.-Col. Jean-Guy Perron will take until Sept. 9 to decide whether Capt. Robert Semrau will be busted down in rank with a hard slap on the wrist, or booted from the military and thrown in jail.



► Rick Hillier

Leak was 'wrong': Hillier

Canada's former chief of defence staff, Rick Hillier, says human error is likely to blame for a leaked U.S. document that suggests four Canadian soldiers who died in Afghanistan in 2006 were killed by friendly fire.

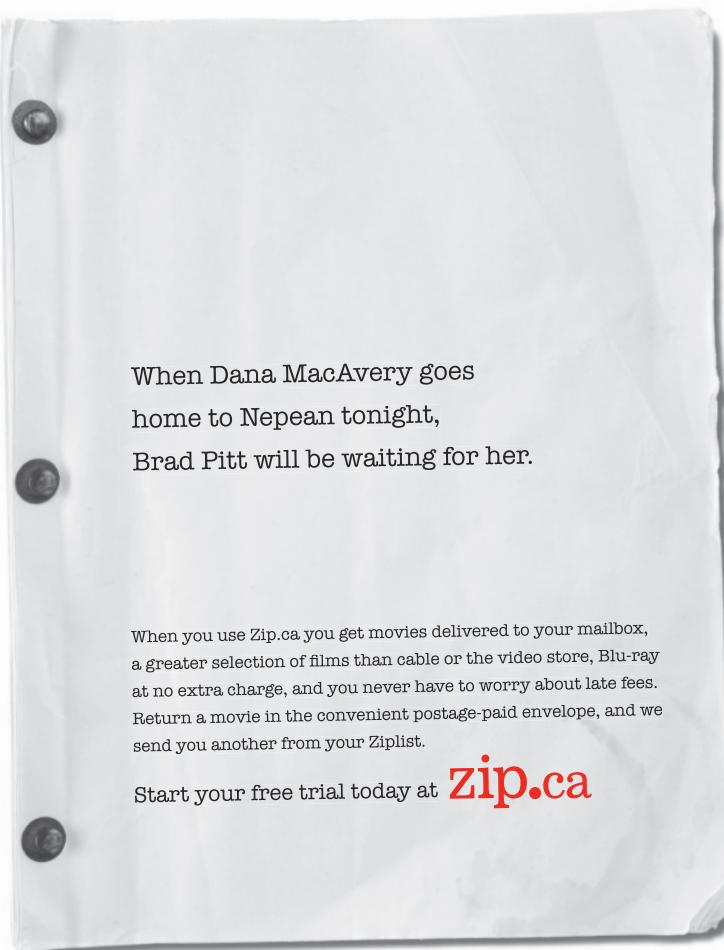
"Somebody ... was wrong in what they wrote," said Hillier.

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Friendly fire?

The documents are part of a massive stack of U.S. military reports released Monday that document six years of NATO's combat mission in Afghanistan.

- Four Canadian soldiers were killed Sept. 3, 2006, in a well-documented and bloody battle with a fierce Taliban force.
- A source in Washington says the report could be confusing their deaths with a genuine friendly fire death the following day.



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Facebook helps snag suspect

► After hearing description, a family friend looked up alleged killer's social networking page

Philippine police tracked down a suspect in a series of grisly robberies and murders with the help of his Facebook account, officials said yesterday.

Mark Dizon, a 28-year-old computer technician, did not resist when arrested yesterday while talking with his father in a public square in northern San Fernando city, police Senior Supt. Danilo Bautista said.

Dizon is accused of killing nine people — six Filipinos, an American, a Canadian and a Briton — in three different robberies at hotels and homes in Angeles city.

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Foul play

The deadly robbery and murder spree started with a Canadian.

► First kill The string of deadly robberies started July 12, when Canadian Geoffrey Alan Bennun, 60, and his Filipino girlfriend were shot to death after a robber broke into their hotel room.

► Another killing Four days later, Briton James Bolton Porter, 51, and his girlfriend were killed by a gunman in their house in Angeles' Malabanas village, police reports said.



Court clears teen to sail

A Dutch court cleared the way for 14-year-old Laura Dekker to embark on a risky attempt to become the youngest person to sail solo around the world.

Fate of bullfighting ban to be decided

Lawmakers in Catalonia might ban bullfighting in a razor-close vote this week, rejecting a pillar of traditional Spain in a region with its own language and culture and an acute sense of being a country within a country.

If a proposed ban is approved in today's local legislature vote, the wealthy northeast coastal region would become the first in mainland Spain to outlaw the deadly ballet.

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Cops probe baptism death

during his baptism Friday in a Moldovan village.

In the Orthodox religion, babies are baptized by being briefly immersed three times in water. Priests hold the infant's mouths and noses.

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Faith in economy levelling off: Survey

- Canada more confident than U.S.
- Job numbers still growing in Canada
- Europe remains a concern

Fears of an economic slowdown or worse are draining consumer confidence in both Canada and the United States, two new surveys suggest.

The Conference Board of Canada said Tuesday that its survey of consumers showed Canadians becoming less bullish about their prospects, with confidence dropping for the second straight month in July.

And unlike in June, when gloom was restricted to Ontario and British Columbia, the think-tank says this time all regions are more bearish, particularly on the question of future job prospects.

The results were the same in the U.S. reading, as confidence also fell for the second straight month.

In a relative grading of where the two economies stand, however, the latest softening pushed the Canadian index to 80, compared to the 50 level south of the border.

"As you go into these different cycles, they can be self-fulfilling."

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Analysts said the major difference in the readings is the disparate employment situations in the two countries. In recent months, Canadian job growth has been far greater than expected — a 93,000 pick-up in June — while the U.S. has seen its job growth stall and even fall back with a 125,000 loss during the same month.

A more telling indicator is the gap between the countries' employment ratio. In Canada, 62.1 per cent of working age individuals were working in June, compared to only 58.5 per cent in the U.S., despite less stringent criteria.

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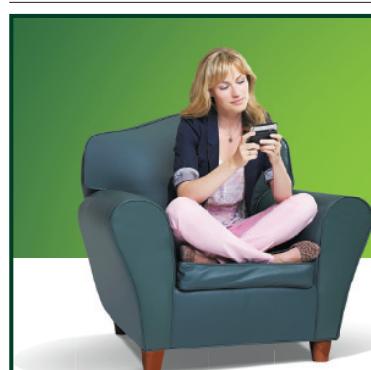


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Vacations are quality time spent with "families" when you only check your messages 35 times a day instead of the regular 70. It's that time when you can get out on the beach or the golf course and listen to all the tweets.

There are even some birds left, too.

Wait a minute! Stop the insanity! It's time to draw a line in the sand. What better time and place than on vacation, where sand is

often available.

On this vacation, I pledge to unplug and rediscover my surroundings, in this case the coast of Oregon, which has some of the most awe-inspiring sand on the planet.

It won't be easy, because wherever I go I can get to five bars and do business, 24/7. Somewhere on Earth there's a client who needs me, a deadline to be met, an email to answer, a friend request, a follower to add. The plan is to set up the Mother of All Firewalls ...

my toes.

I'm a little concerned since there's another person coming — my wife — and she will probably expect me to interact with her in real time, face-to-face, and we're not talking Facebook. Relationships these days consist of two people sitting in deck chairs with devices talking to everyone they know except each other. What do we say to each other? Like OMG, who RU?

I'm hardly the only one who feels this way. Out there, on the road, at the breakfast buffet, the beach, the patio, I'm likely to en-

counter other fidgeting workaholics sneaking desperate furtive glances at their BlackBerrys while pretending to be interested in this seashell or that sunset. To you I say:

We're pathetic. A couple weeks a year — at least — it's a good idea to stop being important multi-tasking members of the hive and just Be. Be a husband, a dad, a wife, a daughter, a son, a (real) friend. Caution, this requires something called an attention span, with which you may not be familiar.

Cold turkey, that's my only hope. Leave the smart devices at home and take only the stupid ones, like a flip phone with a My Sharona ring tone for ordering pizza in Cannon Beach.

Now, how do you set up those "I'm away until Aug. 16" messages on email ...

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Metro Minute with Jurassic Park

Back when dinosaurs ruled the Earth, there were no movies.

Fortunately, we live in present-day Ottawa, where the St. Laurent Shopping Centre is hosting another one of its drive-in movie nights tonight with a screening of Jurassic Park.

The parking lot will open at 5 p.m. and all cars

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► Actress voices hairless feline determined to destroy the world in *Cats and Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore* ► Supports green projects when not in the studio



Bette Midler sinks her teeth into villain

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In *Cats and Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore*, singer, actress and all-around entertainer Bette Midler got to sink her teeth into the titular villain, a hairless cat hell-bent on world domination. And Midler admits the desire to take over the world was pretty easy to relate to.

"I think a lot of female entertainers think about that when they start out," she says. "I did."

"But as for her character turning evil after an on-the-job accident causes her fur to fall out, Midler insists that's where they differ. "Something happens to my hair in real life every day and I don't," she says with a laugh.

Dealing with hair issues is something she says she learned about early on in her career. "A long time ago when I first started



ed in the theatre, I was in *Fiddler on the Roof*, and one of the girls in *Fiddler* was a Puerto Rican girl," Midler remembers.

"The opening night, she had done something

to her hair, she had tried to straighten her hair or something, and her hair fell out. Literally. And she didn't even blink. She went out, she got a piece, she slapped it on, she

went out, she gave the performance of her life. And I never forgot that. From that time on, I never thought twice. I just look around, grab a piece, put it on and go."

Of course, doing voice work for her latest film didn't require much concern about her hair. "It's not just isolating, it's lonely," she says of the recording sessions. "Be-

cause it's just you in a dark room with a sketch of a character or sometimes a filled-in scene, but you don't work with the other actors. It's like one long looping session, I said. It's like, 'Oh my God, ADR for days.'

As much as her feline counterpart is determined to destroy the world, Midler has been working for more than a decade on

"It's our 15th anniversary this year, and it's been fantastic. (New York Restoration Project) has been one of the great projects of my life." BETTE MIDLER

saving it — or at least her home city.

"A couple of years ago, I teamed up with the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation to plant a million trees in New York City, and we've planted about 375,000 so far in the last two years," she says.

"I also am the founder and chairman of an organization called New York Restoration Project. We clean abandoned parks and public places, and we also own 55 community gardens where people in the community grow their own food."



News in brief



Maury Chaykin, a mainstay of Canadian film and television who established himself through such iconic roles as a faded rock star in *Whale Music*, has died at age 61.

The Gemini and Genie Award-winning actor died Tuesday morning after battling kidney problems, said Mark McKinney, who produced Chaykin's most recent series, the HBO Canada sitcom *Less Than Kind*.

"He was one of our greatest actors," said McKinney, adding that the cast was devastated by the death.

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Paul McCartney reflects on performing for Obama



► Actor Steve Carell leaves his post as erratic boss Michael Scott in The Office once his contract expires in 2011.

NBC affirms Carell's exit

► The Office will remain in its current time slot, despite star's departure.

NBC may wish Steve Carell was just joking, but a network executive said The Office star has consistently told NBC he's leaving after this coming season.

In the network's first acknowledgment of Carell's plans, NBC Primetime Entertainment President An-

gela Bromstad said Monday the actor's seven-year run as erratic Dunder Mifflin boss Michael Scott will end when his contract expires in 2011. But Bromstad said the show will go on.

"We've been lucky to have had him as long as we've had. These things

happen when you have such a major movie star in a show," she said.

In an affirmation of NBC's faith in a post-Carell The Office, Bromstad said the sitcom will remain in its 9 p.m. EDT Thursday time slot. It's the linchpin of NBC's schedule on a key TV night of advertising revenue.

"Not to diminish the departure of Steve, because that will impact the show,

but we have tremendous faith in the writers and actors to keep it alive," Bromstad said.

Carell, 46, who's become a busy big-screen actor during his Office tenure, has said in interviews he plans to leave the series to better balance his work and family life.

The door is open if he wants to make return visits to the show, Bromstad said.

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Angie sings Papa Brad's lofty praises

► In addition to being impossibly handsome, wealthy and famous, Pitt is also a 'wonderful father'

Actress Angelina Jolie, in Tokyo for the weekend opening of action thriller Salt, brushed off rumours about her shaky relations with Brad Pitt.

"He was just a wonderful father," she said yesterday of Pitt, during work on the film, in which she plays a tough spy. He often brought the children to the set, she recalled.

"They played with fake blood, and they found mommy very strange in her different hair," she said.

Pitt and Jolie have been partners since they began a relationship while working on the 2005 film Mr. & Mrs. Smith. They are raising six children.

Last week, Pitt and Jolie accepted undisclosed damages to settle a privacy claim against a British tabloid that had reported in January that they were planning to split.

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Twitter block

► Angelina Jolie has finally joined Twitter, but she isn't using the micro-blogging site to keep fans updated on her personal life. Jolie reportedly secured her username and then locked it, according to Us Weekly. The account isn't following any other users or allowing followers.

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Rough day at the Office



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Actor Rainn Wilson of The Office has countersued a Portland company in a website development dispute.

He's seeking at least \$400,000 US in damages from Think Brilliant, ac-

cusing the company in a recent federal court filing of fraud and breach of trust.

Think Brilliant sued Wilson earlier this month, seeking \$11.3 million US and alleging the actor

failed to properly compensate the company for website development work. Think Brilliant also contends Wilson hacked into its database and accessed confidential materials.

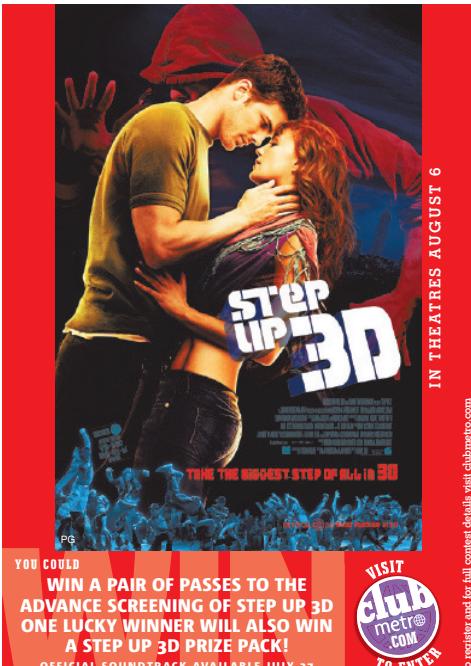
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Celebrity tweets

Talking points

No plans to let Lohan out early

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Lindsay Lohan's hopes of getting out of prison after barely a week will be dashed, if the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department has anything to say about it, according to Hollyscoop. Lohan's lawyer had been working on getting her client released before the end of the month, but according to Sheriff's Department spokesman Steve Whitmore, "She won't be released this week."



John Mayer
[@johnmayer]

Lots of beautiful ladies in NYC this afternoon.



Ian Somerhalder
[@iansomerhalder]

Back in Atl, great city worst water in America... Why? Does everyone enjoy brushing teeth in pool water? More chlorine than any other major city I've seen. Uh, can we find out why and change this? Children drink this stuff? Not good



Sarah Silverman
[@SarahKSilverman]

Why isn't there a bone protecting our throats? There's so much important stuff in there.

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Britney meets her boyfriend's folks

SETTLING DOWN. Things seem to be getting serious between Britney Spears and Jason Trawick, her former agent and current boyfriend. The pair even had a night out recently with Trawick's parents, enjoying an early dinner before heading to a show at the Pantages Theater in L.A.



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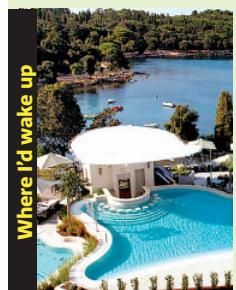
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Spend the morning

Cathedral of St Euphemia

Garibaldijeva 1
The imposing early 18th century tower is the centrepiece of this low-rise town, and a great reference point. Religious relics fans will love the remains of St. Euphemia, a virgin fed to the lions before her bones miraculously floated to Rovinj.



Where I'd lunch

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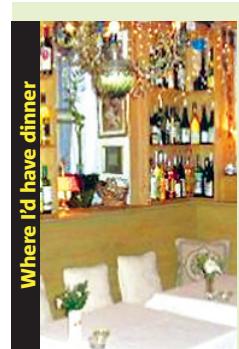
Footsteps away from the Cathedral awaits this funky and informal but very high calibre restaurant. Expect the freshest foods from Rovinj's market and the freshest fish from Rovinj's sea or just leave yourself in the hands of gaffers Tjitske and Danijel Djekic.



Spend the afternoon

Hit the beach

There are a number of beaches around Rovinj. All are pretty, most are rocky. It's annoying at first but take a pair of flip-flops and the sea is so perfectly warm and the surroundings so stunning that you soon get used to it. If you're a purist, Cuvi beach, to the west, actually has a modicum of sand.



Where I'd have dinner

Enoteca Al Gastaldo

Iza Kasarne 14. 052/814-109.
This family-run corner restaurant, on Iza Kasarne, specialises in high-quality shellfish, sole and lobster dishes which aren't cheap but are superb. Failing that try any of the equally decent seafront places which make up for their minor cordon bleu failings with perfect sunsets.



How I'd spend the night

The Monvi Centre

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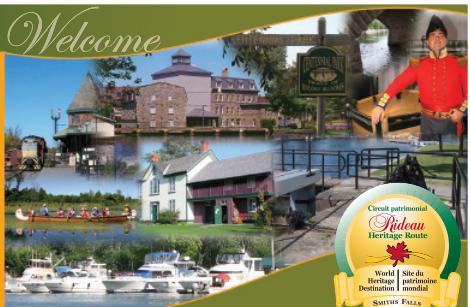
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THE COMFORT BRUNCH

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THE, ER, LATE NIGHT BRUNCH

Bubby's pie company

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Ingredients :

- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 bottle (341 ml) pale ale beer
- 1 1/2 cups broccoli slaw
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tbsp sweet relish
- 1/4 cup Dijon mustard
- 2 tbsp honey
- 1/3 cup slivered almonds
- 1 cup panko (Japanese-style) breadcrumbs
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 3/4 tsp salt
- 3/4 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 egg
- 2 tbsp butter
- 4 sesame seed hamburger buns

Preparation:

- 1 One at a time, slice each chicken breast horizontally through the centre

to form 2 thin halves.

- 2 In a medium bowl, combine beer and chicken. Refrigerate for 30 minutes.

- 3 In a small bowl, combine slaw, mayonnaise and relish. Mix well, then refrigerate until needed.

- 4 In a small bowl or cup, whisk together mustard and honey. Set aside.

- 5 Meanwhile, in a food processor, pulse almonds until coarsely ground. Transfer to a wide, shallow bowl. Add panko, garlic powder, salt and pepper, mixing to combine.

- 6 When chicken is ready remove it from beer and

pat dry with paper towels. Whisk egg in a wide, shallow bowl. One at a time, dredge each chicken cutlet through egg, then through breadcrumb blend.

- 7 In a large skillet over medium-high, melt butter. Working in batches and adding more butter as necessary, add chicken and cook for 4 to 5 minutes per side, or until cooked through.

- 8 To assemble sandwiches, layer a quarter of the slaw mixture over the bottom half of each bun. Top with a chicken cutlet. Spread a generous amount of the mustard over the top half of the bun, then place over chicken.

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Texting no-no's

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- Here are some other common mistakes people make using text messaging.
- They respond to quickly. According to Norrie, texting is a rushed style of communication and the way it's approached varies depending on the setting.

For example, the quality of a response will differ when sent from a desk than while walking to the subway.

- They ignore the relationship quotient, meaning there is more to a conversation than just the content.
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Blackberries and iPhones. More like Crackberries and i-can't-stop-playing-with-my-Phones. Addictive, efficient and, at times, an over-used substitute for good old fashion talking.

According to a recent survey by textPlus, a texting app, 11 per cent of respondents felt it was appropriate to ask for a raise via texting, while 32 per cent think it's okay to

let their bosses know they're taking a sick day by typing it on their mobile.

According to Dr. James Norrie, associate dean and professor at the Ted Rogers School of Management at Ryerson University in Toronto, there's a time and a place for such technology.

"(With) any high stakes communication, ... you should try to be using a high engagement communication method," he says, such as the telephone or a

face-to-face meeting. He says once certain factors are eliminated from the message, like tone or facial expression, there becomes a disconnect between the content and the context.

A 31-year old director's assistant in New York — who wishes to remain anonymous — knows all too well about that disconnect. Because of her line of work, texting is an essential part of the job, but can sometimes create confusion. For example, the meaning in the limited number of words used can get lost in the airwaves. She recalls one episode when she received a vague message from her boss asking her to send a car.

"I had no idea where he was, where he wanted to go, etc.," she says. "I tried to call him but he didn't answer so I texted him a bunch of questions and when I received one word answers, it was hard to tell if he was annoyed with me or just annoyed he was stuck in the rain somewhere!"

The question: To text or not to text

► As the next generation starts to flood the employee pool, quite an impersonal approach and attitude to work is burgeoning



► It may be hard to unglue your eyes from your smart phone screen, but there are certain situations when it really is necessary.



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University safety shopping

- The annual university shopping trip is almost here
- Remember there is more to school than toys

While it's fun to stock up on posters, shower caddies and desk lamps, experts say you also should consider how you'll keep yourself, and your stuff, safe on campus.

Common sense is the best defence, says Chris McGoey, who runs a security business in Los Angeles and consults on campus safety.

"It's all about access. In most incidents, victims were careless, unaware and too trusting," he says.

In dorm suites and hallways, there may be visitors you don't know. Many first-year students like to adopt an "open-door" policy when they get moved into dorms. But that's an invitation to would-be thieves.

"If you have a computer, laptop or other electronic



► The Doberman Security Laptop Defender motion sensor alarm by Dormco.

equipment, tether it to something solid using a security cable," advise the "college life" editors at the school-advice site SparkNotes.com.

There are also motion-sensor locks for laptops. And Orbicule's Undercover is a monitoring device for your Mac, iPhone or iPad; for a student price of \$39 US, the downloadable soft-

ware will snap a photo of the person who took your Mac and track the IP address anywhere in the world — information that can be given to police. In the meantime, lockout features prevent the thief from accessing anything on the computer.

As for smaller valuables, some students suggest keeping them in a trunk — the kind you take to summer camp — with a combination lock. Trunks also make handy nightstands.

Jeff Gawronski of DormCo.com, an online retailer that sells dorm security items, says his biggest seller is a room safe. Safes these days have been scaled down to look less intimidating in a dorm room.

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Book review

I (heart) Money

Author: David Campbell Lester

Publisher: DCL Capital Press

Price: \$24.99

Money is a curious thing. The very essence of its purpose is to drive commerce, meaning, it's there to help you buy that thing you love. It is no wonder then that we have an ingrained ability to spend rather than

save. Financial coach and author, David Campbell Lester, suggests in his book *I (heart) Money*, that we need to take a different approach to managing our money, loving it. According to Lester, how you approach money, should start with how you respect it, even how you carry it. "Do you keep it all bundled up in your pants or wallet? Do you go commando (not carry an at all?)" Lester's book provides some key insight to managing your money, also pointing out

that having a healthy relationship with money will trickle down into having healthy personal relationships. Look back at any first date, he says, the first two questions out of someone's mouth are 'where do you live?' (Translation: What kind of real estate can you afford?) and 'what do you do?' (Translation: How much money do you make?). If you find someone who truly loves their money, they are in control of their life, he says. CRAIG LUND

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Sports in brief



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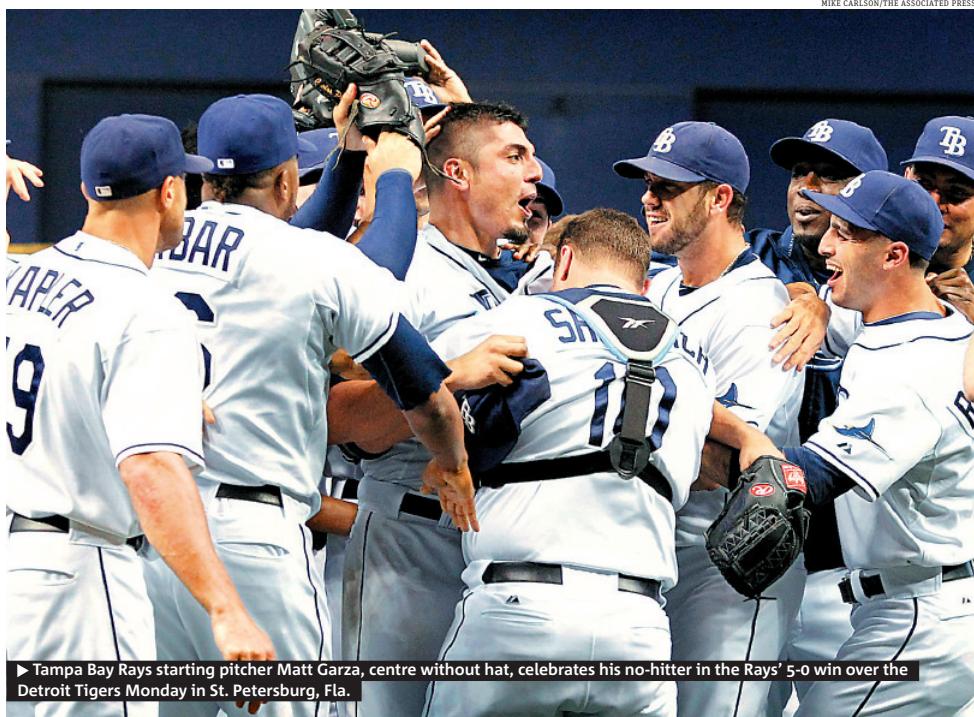
2 Cincinnati Bengals reportedly reach deal with Terrell Owens.

3 Mets' left-fielder Jason Bay has mild concussion and is out of the lineup for at least a few days.



The Year of the Pitcher indeed

- Garza's no-no the latest in this historic season
- Not since 1991 has majors seen this many no-hitters in a year



► Tampa Bay Rays starting pitcher Matt Garza, centre without hat, celebrates his no-hitter in the Rays' 5-0 win over the Detroit Tigers Monday in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Five no-hitters, two perfect games and another gem that was spoiled by an umpire.

By now, San Francisco Giants broadcaster Mike Krukow and others around baseball are beginning to expect a piece of pitching history every week.

"I do. I can't explain it," said Krukow, who pitched in the majors from 1976-89. "Amazing. I think it's pretty cool. The Year of the Pitcher."

Matt Garza tossed Tampa Bay's first no-hitter Monday night in a 5-0 victory over the Detroit Tigers, becoming

the fifth big leaguer to turn the trick during a season of mastery on the mound.

The last time there were five no-hitters in one year was 1991, when Hall of Famer Nolan Ryan threw one of seven in the majors. Now, arms are in charge again — so much so that no-hit alerts seem commonplace.

Ho hum, another shutout. Complete game? Yawn.

"Pitching has gotten better," Rays manager Joe Maddon said. "I don't know that the hitting has gone back a

bit, but the pitching has definitely gotten better."

The numbers back him up. Fourteen times a pitcher has carried a no-hitter into the eighth inning this year. That's the most through July 26 since at least 1974, as far back as such records go at STATS LLC. As a comparison, it happened six times by that date last season.

"I don't know if there are any explanations for it," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said. "It runs in cycles and you just go through it."

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Elite group

- Oakland left-hander Dallas Braden retired all 27 batters against Tampa Bay May 9 and Philadelphia ace Roy Halladay duplicated the feat 20 days later at Florida, making this the only season besides 1880 to include a pair of perfect games.
- Arizona's Edwin Jackson and Colorado's Ubaldo Jimenez also threw no-hitters, while Detroit right-hander Armando Galarraga was denied a perfect game because of a missed call at first base by an umpire.

Yao Ming may 'call it quits' from basketball

Houston Rockets centre Yao Ming is pondering quitting basketball if he doesn't fully recover from his lingering foot injury next season.

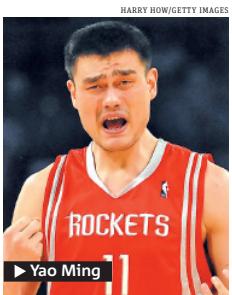
In wide-ranging comments to Chinese state media yesterday, Yao sounded far from optimistic about his future and also made a rare criticism of China's national basketball program.

"If the foot injury does not heal next season, I might choose to call it quits," Yao said.

Yao missed last season following foot surgery, but is set to return to the Rockets after deciding not to opt out of the final year of his contract. Though he has said his recovery was going well, the Rockets have signed seven-foot veteran Brad Miller to share the work at centre.

The seven-foot-six Yao, who was in his native China for a series of charity events, all but ruled out playing for his country in the 2012 London Olympics.

Yao said the Chinese national team's recent poor showings stem from the country's focus on preparations for the 2008 Beijing Olympics, while neglecting development teams and the country's professional league. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Maradona done with Argentina

Diego Maradona is no longer the coach of Argentina.

The Argentine Football Association said yesterday that it would not renew Maradona's contract, ending his erratic 21-month stint in charge of the national team that had mirrored his own long personal history of unpredictable behaviour and defiance.

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Bryant didn't expect pads problem

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Value of Dez Bryant's five-year contract with the Cowboys. He has already gotten a \$1.95 million signing bonus and is due a \$570,000 roster bonus during camp.



► Dez Bryant

Dallas Cowboys rookie receiver Dez Bryant said he never expected his refusal to carry Roy Williams' shoulder pads to become such an big deal.

The first-round pick also said he didn't know that rookies carrying the pads of veterans after practice was a long-standing ritual.

"I told Roy this, I said if

that situation was going to turn out that big, he could have walked in with his tights on," Bryant said after a team's practice yesterday. "I would have took his shoulder pads, his pants, his helmet, his socks, his shoes. I would have took everything. But you know what, that's not even an issue." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



5 drive

Up and down

Ready to soar
The Terrafugia Transition — a flying car — has finally been given official clearance to fly by U.S. aviation authorities.



PT Cruiser bows out

Chrysler is shutting down shop in terms of its quirky retro design car, the PT Cruiser. 1.3 million of car have sold since it was launched in 2000.

Mitsu Eclipse Spyder spins web of wonder

► Looking for a drop-dead-gorgeous topless road companion? ► 2011 Japanese convertible got the looks for a price that won't break your bank

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I've never figured out why some cultures perform rain dances in dry weather; all they need to do is give me a convertible to drive. My week with the 2011 Mitsubishi Eclipse Spyder included rain every single day, but I braved the sprin-

kles for the joy of driving with the roof down.

The Spyder has faults, but on a summer's day, it's easy to forgive them once the top stows away.

There's no 2010 model: Its production dates would have released it in the dead of winter, and so Mitsubishi Canada went straight from 2009 to 2011.

There are two versions: the GS, at \$30,498, uses a 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine,

while my tester, the \$35,998 GT-P, contains a 3.8-litre V6. Mine used a six-speed manual transmission, while a six-speed automatic can be added for \$1,200.

The 265-horsepower V6 is a work of art. It's strong

and smooth, with a deliciously throaty exhaust note; the clutch is light, the shifter is precise, and it's simply a joy.

The outside is gorgeous, and the inside is too. The heated sport seats are heavily bolstered, and when combined with my tester's orange exterior shade, the interior is three-tone.

The specs

2011 MITSU ECLIPSE SPYDER GT-P

- **VEHICLE TYPE** Sports convertible
- **PRICE** \$35,998
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EXPLORER NEW CHAPTER IN SUV STORY

Auto Pilot

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The Sport Utility Vehicle, or SUV, is an interesting phenomenon. Before the 1980s, they were uncommon and an acquired taste, like certain foreign cheeses, or the movies of Rainer Werner Fassbinder. During the 1990s they took over the landscape.

In the last decade, they became somewhat vilified and watched helplessly as their devotees changed stripes, and embraced car-based crossovers.

This decade we're seeing the actual vehicles changing stripes. Once proud truck-based SUVs

nameplates are now switching over to car-based platforms. Earlier this year we saw Kia Sorento make the move.

And just this week Ford introduced its new generation Explorer, the first Explorer to go "uni-body" and to offer front-wheel-drive versions, in addition to its AWD versions.

The Explorer move is



significant, because the nameplate is credited as the major force behind the initial SUV tsunami.

In its first year of production (1990), Explorer sold 14 million units. It helped turn a niche vehicle into the most dominant one of the era.

I think the clearest explanation of why the phenomenon developed back

then came from John Rock, once a vice-president of GM. He observed that traditional car buyers at the time "just loved truck-based powertrains."

At Ford Canada's reveal of the 2011 Explorer, I caught up with Paul F. Roy, the company's marketing director.

He noted that current

customers are not hung up on which vehicle is body-on-frame or unibody; they're more interested in what the vehicle can do, than the nature of its construction.

He added that Explorer is a name that continues to resonate, and there is a swath of buyers who prefer the more, rugged

SUV vibe. They just want that vibe in a more fuel-efficient and sophisticated package.

So now we have another niche — a car-based crossover that's trying to channel some old-school truck-based SUV mojo. At first I thought, "naw, doesn't feel right." Now I'm thinking, "why the hell not?"



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Sorento family favourite

► If adventures are your thing, Kia SUV can be an ideal companion ► Relatively worry-free model high on value

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Like it or not, some Canadian families simply need the ruggedness, capability and power served up by a 4x4 SUV. If your family requires one such model to tow a boat, tackle the cottage trail or access weekend adventures via uncharted territory, there

are several worthy options to consider in the used market.

The new Sorento is now on sale at Kia dealerships, leaving the former value-priced model in the used market with a praised ladder-frame structure and real 4x4 transfer case with low-range gearing. These two attributes form the basis for real-world sport ute toughness that gear the Sorento towards a shopper actually planning to work their machine a little with some towing or off-roading.

Sorento was powered by one of several V6 engines. Earlier models got a 3.5 litre unit with 192 horsepower, while a 3.8 litre, 262 horsepower V6 was also available. Later in the Sorento's life, a 3.3 litre, 242-horsepower engine joined the lineup, and shoppers can look for a four or five-speed automatic



► Kia Sorento has plenty to offer for those in search of a budget SUV.

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ic, as well as the rarer five-speed manual transmission.

What Owners Like

Value, equipment levels and styling are rated highly by last-generation Sorento owners, as are a safe and confident driving feel that comes as part of a tall height and solid ride. Fit

and finish were also praised.

What Owners Hate

Standard 4x4 complaints regarding fuel mileage top the list of last-generation Sorento owner gripes, along with a "thin" paint job and some interior noises and rattles.

Common issues

Shoppers test-driving a used Sorento are advised to check that the 4x4 system shifts in and out of its various modes as expected, thus ensuring an expensive actuator within

the transfer case isn't malfunctioning. Models with a manual transmission should shift smoothly with no grinding, clunking or clutch slippage.

Highlights

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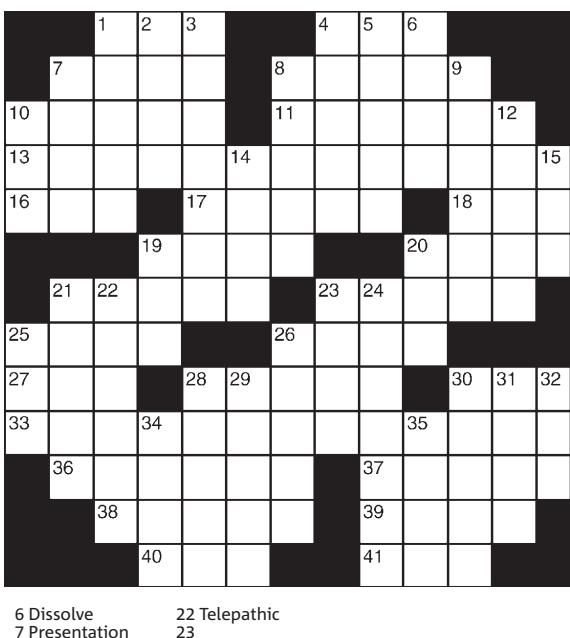
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► Yesterday's answer

Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 19 This is potentially one of the best times of the year for you, so don't waste it. What happens today will cheer you up no end but you should not be feeling down anyway.

♉ Taurus April 20-May 21 You have been so busy of late that you may have neglected some of the people you love, so make it your aim today to remind partners and family members how much you care.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Forget about money worries and work problems and make it your aim to have fun. If what you are doing does not bring a smile to your face then either you are doing it wrong or you should not be doing it at all.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You have to get serious about your cash flow situation. You can still have fun but it must be the kind of fun that does not cost you an arm and a leg.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23 Forget about what happened earlier in the year and strive to make the next few weeks truly special. You cannot change the past but you can redeem it by making the future memorable — and the future starts right now.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22 The Sun's transit of the most sensitive area of your chart makes this a difficult time for you, but not so difficult that you have to walk around with such a long face. Cheer up, it's life, and it's still pretty good.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 You can, if you wish, sit back and do nothing today but if you spend time with your friends you will not only feel relaxed but you will feel as if you have done something productive as well.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 You will be put to the test over the next few days, so prepare yourself mentally and get plenty of rest as well. Your mind and your body need to be at their peak.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Expand your horizons and break out of the rut you have been living in these past few months. You have done what was expected of you and now you have every right to reward yourself.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 You may not want others to know that you are in difficulties but if you don't speak up how are you going to get help?

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Partnership matters of all kinds must be taken seriously now. You may wish that you could just ignore certain issues but common sense tells you that's no way to go about things.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 Changes to your schedule, both at home and at work, will have to be made eventually, so why not make them now? You have been pushing yourself a bit too hard. Go easier on yourself today and tomorrow.

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Sudoku

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